

ABSTRACT

Methods and systems enable devices to discover each other when the devices are in a common location. Unique identifiers (UIDs) are associated with one or more location and each UID uniquely identifies a location.

- 5 Devices that are located in a particular location that has a UID can register to
create an association between the device and the UID. In turn, this creates an
association between the device and a location. Subsequently, when another
device (e.g. a laptop computer or PDA) enters the location, the device can
discover the UID of the location and then ascertain which other devices are
10 associated with that location.